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SUBJECT: IPU CONFERENCE IN LONDON

- 1. EGYPTIAN PEOPLES ASSEMBLY MEMBER LAILA TAQLA, WHO WAS MEMBER OF EGYPTIAN DELEGATION TO RECENT IPU CONFERENCE IN LONDON, CALLED LAST WEEK FOR APPOINTMENT WITH AMBASSADOR EILTS. AMBASSADOR'S DEPARTURE FOR CONSULTATION IN WASHINGTON MADE MEETING IMPOSSIBLE, SO DR. TAQLA PASSED ON HER MESSAGE TO MRS. EILTS.
- 2. ACCORDING TO DR. TAQLA, IT WAS THANKS TO EGYPTIAN EFFORTS, AND IN PARTICULAR HER OWN PERSONAL EFFORTS, THAT ARAB DRAFT RESOLUTION ON ME WAS AS MODERATE AS IT WAS. SHE SAYS SHE INVESTED A GREAT DEAL OF TIME SHUTTLING BETWEEN SYRIAN DELEGATION AND US DELEGATION, CONGRESSMAN DERWINSKI IN PARTICULAR. SHE SAYS SHE TOLD DERWINSKI THAT IT WOULD BE HELPFUL FOR EGYPT IF US DID NOT RPT NOT VOTE SOLIDLY AGAINST ARAB RESOLUTION; EVEN A SINGLE US ABSTENTION WOULD BE USEFUL FOR GOE. SHE POINTED OUT THAT SHE HAD ENSURED RESOLUTION INCLUDED CLAUSE WELCOMING SINAI II AND THAT ALL ARABS HAD FINALLY ACCEPTED THIS AS PART OF LARGER OVERALL PACKAGE. NEVERTHELESS, EGYPTIANS WERE DISMAYED WHEN ALL 22 US DELEGATES VOTED NO. SHE PERSONALLY WAS EXTREMELY DISAPPOINTED AND REITERATED TO MRS. EILTS THAT EVEN SYRIA HAD CONFIDENTIAL

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AGREED THAT A BREAK IN THE US VOTING FRONT WOULD HAVE

CONSTITUTED STRIKING DEMONSTRATION OF US MODERATION.

3. DR. TAQLA CONCLUDED THAT SHE WAS RAKING OVER THESE DEAD COALS ONLY BECAUSE SHE THOUGHT EGYPTIAN SIDE MIGHT BRING UP IPU CONFERENCE DURING PRESIDENT SADAT'S VISIT TO US AND WE SHOULD KNOW WHAT HAD HAPPENED IN LONDON FROM EGYPTIAN POINT OF VIEW. MAESTRONE

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